IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Edwin Southern

Serial No. 09/422,804

Filed October 22, 1999

COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED HARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT JUOUNT NO. 23-4975.

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ANALYSING POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of June 6, 2000.

The fee of \$890.00 is

- **(X)** submitted herewith.
- to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is 0
- Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 0 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
 - 0 is enclosed.
 - 0 has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin Southern

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